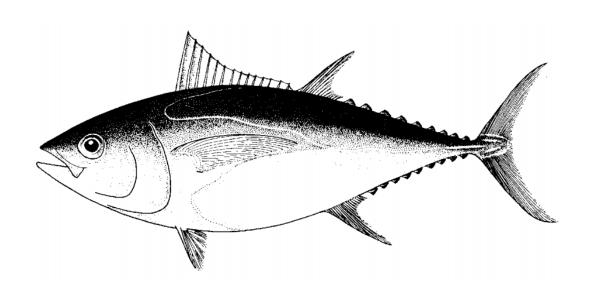
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Notes on Progress Against DCC10 Work plan

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SPC and FFA submit the report of the DCC10 (highlighting all form changes and the DCC 2016 versions of the forms) for adoption at the next SPC Heads of Fisheries (HOF – March 2017) and the next FFC (May 2017).

DCC Report and modified forms completed in 2017.

2. SPC and FFA conduct a general review of the catch offloading processes (on-shore and transhipments) in the longline and purse seine fisheries with a view of updating DCC data fields and protocols. This review should consider the requirements for science, fisheries management, CDS and compliance.

SPC are in discussions with PEW to develop improved capturing of data on high seas transhipments. The project is still in development stage but Pew are offering funding to implement..

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<u>3. SPC and FFA</u> request industry and national programmes to submit all non-DCC data forms used by industry and other entities in their national tuna fisheries (overlapping with data types covered by DCC forms) well in advance of the next DCC, noting that the introduction of non-DCC data forms / standards can impact current DCC data collection protocols

The transhipment project and CDS advancement will take into consideration the industry forms.

Though regional agency involvement in industry data collection has been an issue in the past.

4. FFA and SPC investigate the potential for establishing minimum regional data fields for MCS that will assist in the development and enhancements to the IMS systems used throughout the region. The outcomes of this review will be presented to DCC11.

FFA will present something at DCC11?

3. SPC and FFA conduct a more thorough review of current DCC data fields and forms to determine which fields are no longer used (redundant) for consideration at DCC11. This review will need to include scientists and consider the move to ER and EM.

SPC didn't formally ask scientists but we have definitely done this for ROP LL fields through the Emery et al. paper. Our understanding is that all fields are still relevant according to scientists. SC14 has a PNA/FFA proposal to do a holistic data needs review cover data used for all purposes (not just science), so we are not sure how this will impact DCC11, for example particularly in related to the Rec #5.

4. SPC include agenda items to review data collection protocols for each data type at DCC11.

This is a significant endeavour and will take some time. The protocols were examined through the EM Process standards workshops but perhaps there are some important protocols that need reviewing.

- 7. In regards to observer forms and data, SPC are recommended to
 - a. Enhance the database system to include the entry of debriefer evaluation form information with the other observer data (this will help researcher understand data quality issues for example).
 - Development of TUFMAN2 debriefer component has been done and will soon begin to take data. Aurelien has a demonstration of this.
 - b. Review the potential issues around having the Observer Trip Report supported in the E-Reporting environment
 - iFIMS were looking at this development.
 - <u>SPC</u> proceeds to organise the EM standards workshop for the purse seine fishery to be conducted in 2017, but also include enough time to review the progress with the EM standards from the longline fishery (conducted in 2016). The results of this workshop are to be reported to, inter alia, DCC11.

There were two EM standards workshops held since DCC10, on LL and on PS standards.

6. SPC liaises with FFA and PNA to confirm access to their respective observer placement data through their respective systems (e.g. OPM) and plan the enhancements required to improve the observer document management process at SPC. This will require (i) a report of the outcomes of the gap analysis between SPC requirements and the FFA and PNA observer placement systems and data registration systems, (ii) the work then conducted by SPC, FFA and PNA/QAC on enhancing and aligning their systems (based on the gap analysis), (iii) informing member countries through the next ROCW and (iv) continuing to highlight to observer coordinators and senior management the importance of, and benefits to member countries for observer data management using the respective observer placement systems.

Submission of observer placement information was discussed at ROCW17 and observer programmes agreed to submit placement data for SPC to verify the submission rates of observer trip data.

<u>FFA</u> proceeds to enhance the ERandEM strategy plan based on comments received by member countries and regional agencies and a goal of setting out a plan and key actions for ERandEM implementation during 2017 and 2018.

David Power has presented the FFA ER/EM strategy in different fora.